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300 NPC  
CATCHPHRASES  
VOLUME ONE



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# WELCOME

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## 2017 How it all began

Let me explain how this began...

Chris Perkins, of Wizard of the Coast, posted this on twitter:

Christopher Perkins @ChrisPerkinsDnD  
A d100 table of random D&D NPC catchphrases (original ones, not purloined ones) would be a handy DM aid. Just putting that out there.  
**#wotcstaff** "In a squid's eye!" "Let us not forget to urinate." "Stop putting raisins in my muffins."  
3:38 PM - 6 Dec 2017 from Seattle, WA

Now, despite writing and publishing a few hundred NPC's across multiple races (fifteen and counting) I've never felt compelled to come up with stock phrases for them. That said, the feedback on twitter was positive with some good suggestions so rather than adding to the list I offered to collate the results and produce them for all to have in an easy to refer to format.



All the content was provided by the brilliant and creative twitter users who replied. I removed a couple that were a little rude – I prefer to keep my game material family friendly. I also added two entries and after all that, we were left with exactly 200 catchphrases for use in any Dungeons and Dragons game. (Or indeed any rpg.)

The content on the lists isn't mine so I'm offering this out totally for free. It wouldn't be fair otherwise.

I put the content into two 100 lists as I figured that would be more practical than a single 200 item list.

On a practical point it struck me that even if you are playing a DnD game where one of the named gods or locations mentioned in the phrases doesn't fit your campaign world that this could simply add to the oddity of the saying.

Perhaps the person speaking the phrase has made up the word/name 'Faerun' or 'Waterdeep' or they think that is the correct name for the local town.

That way it doesn't have to conflict with the world your players are in – or simply change the listed name to fit your world if you prefer!

## 2020 An Update

Has it really been three years since I first compiled this list? Wow, time flies.

In that time, I've gained multiple medals for publication sales on DmsGuild and DrivethruRPG. I've launched the Dungeon Masters Adventure Pack: [https://www.patreon.com/DM\\_adventurepack](https://www.patreon.com/DM_adventurepack)

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The website – [www.thegrinningfrog.com](http://www.thegrinningfrog.com) is up and running as well so do drop by – new free material is released each week!

With all the recent writing I thought I'd come back to some of the earlier material and refresh it. In this instance, as I don't want to alter what other people have done, I simply added 100 new catchphrases in a third list at the back of the book. Hopefully, some of them will make you chuckle, some will spark ideas for phrases of your own and some will fit into your game!

Happy gaming!

Stephen, Chief Scribe

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1	"In a squid's eye!"	
2	"Let us not forget to urinate."	
3	"Stop putting raisins in my muffins."	
4	"Go pickle your own sardines whippersnapper!"	
5	"Glory, death, and expensive magical resurrection!"	
6	"How many times have I told you, the map goes this way!"	
7	"Badgers? I knew her mother."	
8	"Ah ha! I...’wait...that wasn’t supposed to come out purple"	
9	"Behold my magnificent creation! Now with extra death!"	
10	"I came to kick ass and chew bubble gum. And bubble gum doesn't exist in this world..."	
11	"By Blibdoolpoolp's Blasphemous Maxillipeds!"	
12	"Well I'll be an otyugh's eye flipper."	
13	"Cannot wait. I'll take two."	
14	"Here's more food for the fire"	

15	"I'm only here for the gold."	
16	"Breakfast is the most important part of an adventure"	
17	"I don't like any of you"	
18	"I'm not a smart/charismatic/wise man"	
19	"Aren't the trees beautiful here?"	
20	"Don't worry. [Insert party member] will pay for it."	
21	"Time for a nice cup of tea."	
22	"There's a viper in my codpiece!"	
23	"I swear my wand works every time."	
24	"Halfling!" It's what's for dinner."	
25	"It's supposed to taste funny. It's gnome."	
26	"I'll have a dwarven ale, or anything that would require an elf to make a fortitude check."	
27	"I thought you checked for traps!?"	
28	"Sleeping dragons never wake up unless you hit them."	
29	"What are you talking about, toads and frogs are the same thing!"	
30	"Patience hell, I'm gonna' go kill something"	
31	"May the God's grant me the serenity to accept the things I cannot change, the courage to change the things I can change, and the weaponry to make the difference."	
32	"The _____ (insert monster) are dropping like kobolds."	

33	"Lobster Claw"	
34	"Not your father's owlbear"	
35	"My friend... what is wrong with raisins in muffins?"	
36	"Does this look infected?"	
37	"... and that's how we learned not to split the party"	
38	"Oh, sure, it looks magical _now_"	
39	" ... and that's why we can't go back to that town"	
40	"That will wash out"	
41	"We'll have to remember not to bring that up in front of the Queen"	
42	"Who did you kids say you work for?"	
43	"I once knew a dwarf. He wasn't rude just short with words"	
44	"A few months ago I was younger."	
45	"I am actually vegan."	
46	"Don't splash me with acid and tell me it's raining."	
47	"That'll put marzipan in your pie plate, bingo!"	
48	"I shall name this [insert animal, building, weapon etc.] Barry. For Barry was a great man!"	
49	"I only ever eat the skin."	
50	"No. Running with Scissors is my Father. You can call me Bob."	
51	"I may be very tired, but I've eaten far too much sugar to sleep."	
52	"Raisins. Asmodeus's chocolate chips."	
53	"Lord Lucan I take it?"	

54	"Like my Gran pappy always used to tell me..."	
55	"Let us no forget to urinate"	
56	"Mwahaha!"	
57	"NOOOOO"	
58	"It's Snack Time, Gwendolyn!" (Gwendolyn being something hungry)	
59	"This is my lute"	
60	"Too many orcs, too many orcs, toooo many orcses"	
61	"We learned nothing"	
62	"Now we drink"	
63	"Cudgel is for Caring"	
64	"You broke the egg"	
65	"There's a dwarf in my soup"	
66	"I have a secret"	
67	"I'm comin' home Timmy!"	
68	"Burning the town down is kind of our thing now"	
69	"It's a wonder we're not all DEAD!"	
70	"Can I interest you in a biscuit?"	
71	"I'm afraid we haven't much time."	
72	"I propose we conduct an experiment"	
73	"Come with me if you want to live!"	
74	'Remember that clean toilet in Waterdeep?'	
75	"As smooth as a baby owlbear's bum."	

76	"Hold my ale."	
77	"It's tentacle time!"	
78	"T'was that which was quoth by the lass."	
79	"Time to whip out my sword!"	
80	"I'm always careful."	
81	"I'm not very nice when....well, ever really." (Barbarian)	
82	"I can hit a copper piece from here." (Bragging Ranger)	
83	"I'm not a kender."	
84	"Grummsh's bloody eye!"	
85	"Sometimes you gotta' hit a guy with his friend"	
86	"Honestly, that's the condition we found it in, my lord."	
87	"Does an Owlbear shit in the woods?"	
88	"What in several gods names is going on?"	
89	"If Dragonbait could talk it'd be 'dinomite'."	
90	"When I was little, I wanted to be a frog."	
91	"Let's smash!"	
92	"Are you sure about this?"	
93	"Dragons are like the best thing ever."	
94	"Fight me matie!"	
95	"Why are you like this?"	
96	"An eye in the sky, a foot in the pie."	

97	"Thine pantaloons dost be too tight, verily my friend you must leave thine consort wanting"	
98	"Life needs things to live."	
99	"Don't harm the merchandise!"	
100	"Don't slurp your soup!"	



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1	"Make Faerun great again!"	
2	"Water is life."	
3	"Can I eat it?"	
4	"Fire is glorious!"	
5	"Honour is the only thing that matters."	
6	"HIT ME!"	
7	"Sorry! Whoops, sorry!"	
8	"You may kiss my pinky."	
9	"I think I hear someone calling me."	
10	"Can we keep it?"	
11	"But is there gold?"	
12	"Magic is for sissies!"	
13	"It was there, so I took it."	
14	"What are you doing tonight?"	
15	"It looks safe enough."	
16	"I'm attacking the darkness."	
17	“-sigh- ...this is going to hurt.”	

18	"Hannibal!"	
19	"Never got around to seeing it."	
20	"I used to be an adventurer like you, but then I took an arrow to the knee."	
21	"Wish I could like this more than once."	
22	"He ded."	
23	"Please grace us Chris."	
24	"Where's my pineapple?"	
25	"Give me a day"	
26	"I fear nothing! But I don't wanna' die..."	
27	"Sucks to be (insert character name here)."	
28	"You're going the wrong way".	
29	"To open the door, simply walk forward and press A!"	
30	"As the most famous rogue in all Faerun, I purloin the treasures of dragons!"	
31	"Oh sure...and roosters sell salmonberry pies."	
32	"I know a peg leg that says differently!"	
33	"Always check if the butter milk is off"	
34	"It runs like orc's blood!"	
35	"If it fits, it cooks."	
36	"It's not really magic unless something goes *boom*"	
37	“He who lives in a glass house should probably dress in the basement”	

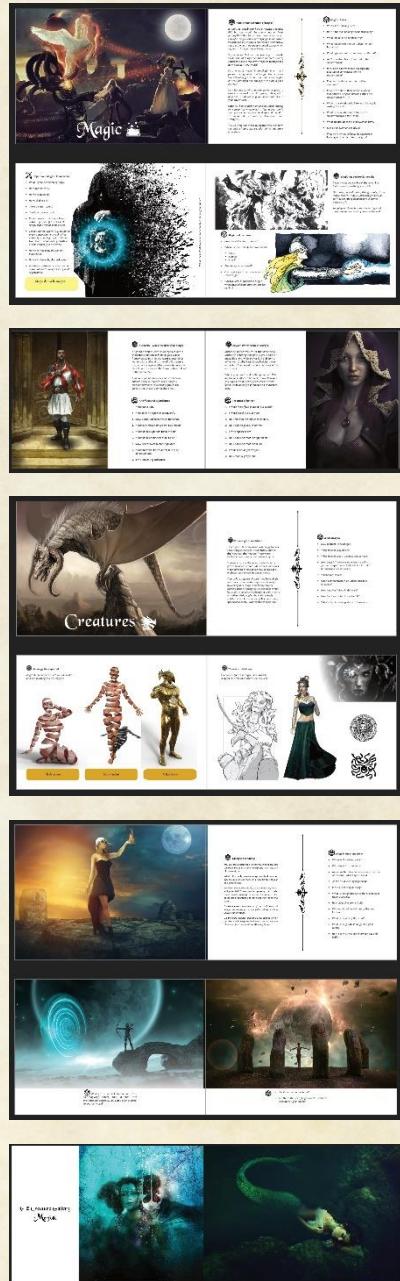
38	"Grandma used to season her pasta with Devil Weed. She said it helped her forghetti."	
39	“Time flies like the wind. Fruit flies like bananas.”	
40	"I need new friends."	
41	"Wait until you see where I'm gonna' put this!"	
42	"This situation is as unpleasant as being trapped in a pantry with a tiger"	
43	"HYDRATE, HYDRATE, HYDRATE!"	
44	“Not with that attitude!”	
45	"Dwarves don't have tails!"	
46	"I drank what?"	
47	"The man with many cheese, is the man with many friends!"	
48	"I cast fireball."	
49	"Aye, that's what the elf said!"	
50	"I'm not cleaning that up!"	
51	"I wish for ten million gold. Hmm...wait, what'll that weight?"	
52	"By the (insert God)'s gilded left testicle!"	
53	"Alright, who's robbing who here?!"	
54	"Quick into the alley!"	
55	"Plan?...There ain't no plan!"	
56	"The quicker, the faster."	
57	“Either I die, or you die, either way it's a win-win situation.”	
58	"I'm open to negotiations"	

59	"I have the best wares in the land!"	
60	"Yes, Sire?"	
61	"Onward! To GLORY!"	
62	"Who'dja want me tukill?"	
63	"It shall be done."	
64	"By your command"	
65	"By the great wolf's fang!"	
66	"I'm gonna' turn you into a meat pie!! All slices!!!"	
67	"It's okay, I know a guy... he's my cousin..."	
68	"This is the piss"	
69	"You don't negotiate with rogues, you simply leave with less gold."	
70	"Grab that soon to be gelded <insert race>!"	
71	"Hold him down boys, we're going to make him sing the high notes!"	
72	"I'm here to take your money and your life!"	
73	"Elves, the other white meat"	
74	"Does an owlbear poop out adventurers?"	
75	"Don't mindflay me—I know what I know!"	
76	"Putting the 'romance' back in 'necromancer...'"	
77	"...also in breaking news: water is wet."	
78	"When a cyclops blinks."	

79	"Ah yes more foolish baddies to add to my undead entourage."	
80	"Dance you fools to my rhythm of my Macabre"	
81	"If it doesn't kill me, I won't be dead."	
82	"It's time to milk the goblins!"	
83	"I can kill that for you wholesale."	
84	"It's not the size of the dwarf in a fight. It's the size of the fight in a dwarf!"	
85	"When doubt, blame wizards"	
86	"A merman's chance in Dis."	
87	"Let's not stop urinating in a squid's muffin!"	
88	"Those aren't pillows!"	
89	"By Moradin's _____ piece of equipment" (hammer, helmet etc.) (Something good/surprise)	
90	"By Moradin's _____ insert body part" (knee, left butt cheek etc.) (Something bad/expletive)	
91	"Oh, you mean THIS backpack?"	
92	"I swear I didn't hit him that hard."	
93	"You could have warned me before I touched it"	
94	"How did that get there?"	
95	"Oh, you mean he is A ghast... not aghast!"	
96	"Try them all, one of them should open it."	
97	"What's the point, what's the point?"	

98	"Those aren't raisins."	
99	"I hope your ass is clean, because it's time to die."	
100	"I didn't know you were in there when I tipped over the privy."	





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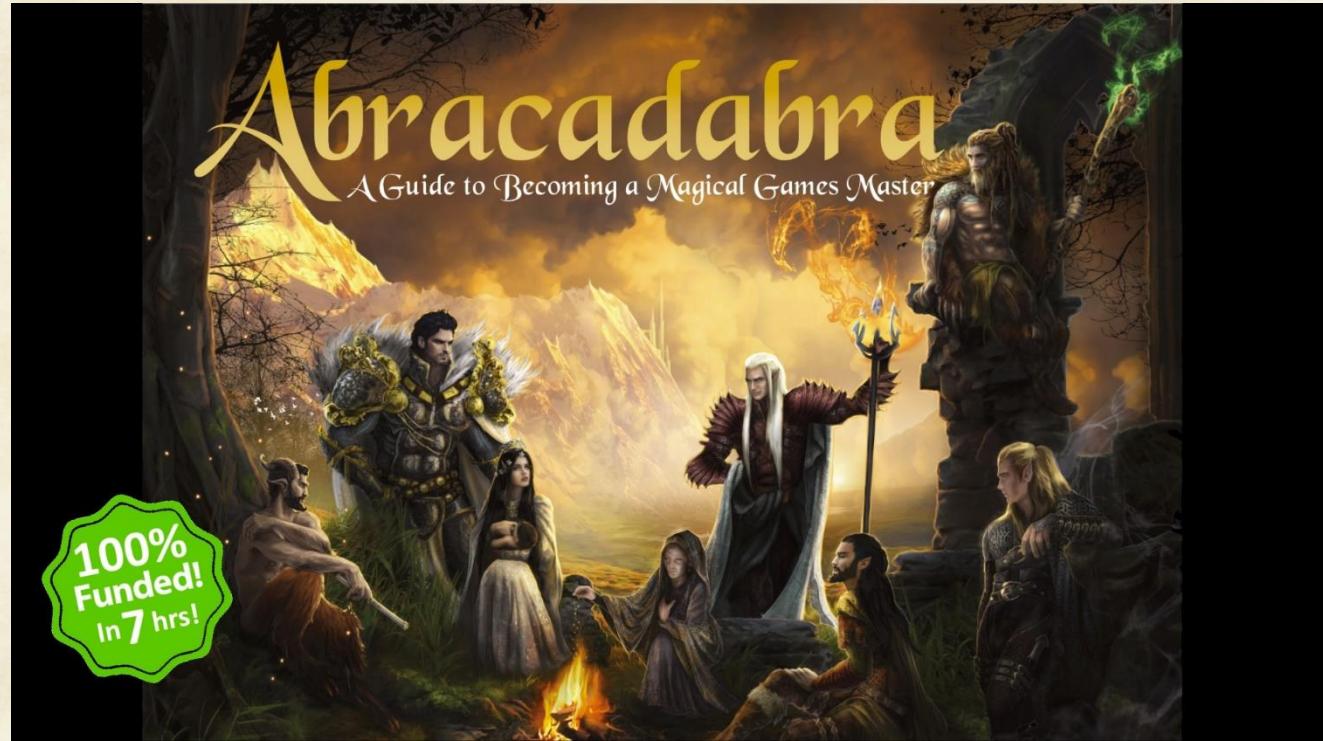
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1	“Knocked it into a cocked helm.”	
2	“Well, butter me nibblets.” (What exactly nibblets are we leave for you to decide!)	
3	“I hate fat people.”	
4	“When I’m done with you there won’t be enough to feed the maggots.”	
5	“It’s all about the right tool for the job.”	
6	“My blade is sharper than your tongue.”	
7	“When you’re dead, I’m going to find someone to resurrect you. Then I’m going to kill you again.”	
8	“I hope you cleaned that first.”	
9	“When I count to ten I will attack you... ten.”	
10	“Greedier than a rygel at a feast.”	
11	“My horse is smarter than you and I reckon he’s a dumb horse.”	
12	“You ain’t useful or pretty.”	

13	“It’s 5 o’clock somewhere.”	
14	“One day I will marry Lady Luck. In the meantime, could she just give me a kiss and help out a bit.”	
15	“About as much use as an orange house cat.”	
16	“You are wetter than a mermaids kiss.”	
17	“Bring the noise.”	
18	“You had me at ‘I can pay you’.	
19	“Sure, we could settle this peacefully...”	
20	“Secrets are like acid. They burn you up but they can be fun to spit out.”	
21	“Things do look bad, but I am confident that they will get worse soon.”	
22	“Water is life, but fire is better for cooking with.”	
23	“He who pees into the wind is just plain dumb.”	
24	“Demons are just misunderstood angels.”	
25	“The pie is mine, all mine.”	
26	“My body is a temple. Unfortunately, my mind is a sinner.”	
27	“Never look a gift dragon in the mouth.”	
28	“Dragons can’t fly but no one told the dragons.”	
29	“Do you know what happened to the last wizard who told me the quill was sharper than the sword? I stabbed him to death with his	

	favourite quill. Mind if I borrow yours for a moment?”	
30	“Shame you didn’t work on your brains and your muscles.”	
31	“Nothing frightens me, except fear of course.”	
32	“You can lead a horse to water but you can’t make it cluck.”	
33	“I’m not drunk enough for this.”	
34	“You’d make the devil blush.”	
35	“That won’t fit into the cooking pot.”	
36	“Roast me like a goose, I don’t believe it””	
37	“Perhaps if you’d use both brain cells things would go faster?”	
38	“I can resist any torture – as long as it doesn’t hurt.”	
39	“I’m a person who knows where their towel is.”	
40	“You do the morality thing whilst I stab em.”	
41	“Centaurs can’t surf.”	
42	“You remind me of my mother.”	
43	“Pah! I’ve seen much bigger in my time.”	
44	“By the burning vomit of a magma worm I curse you.”	
45	“Swords may look cool but hammers make for better squishing noises.”	
46	“My arrows fly faster than the sun.”	
47	“I wouldn’t give you a bent copper for it.”	
48	“Never trust a sober dwarf.”	

49	“I am the law – unless the other dude is in town then he’s the law.”	
50	“I’d rather be infamous than famous but known and rich will do also.”	
51	“If you eat all the cake, you’ll get fat.”	
52	“I’ve always wondered what else wizards use their wands for.”	
53	“Will there be cake?”	
54	“The best way to count your toes is with your shoes and sucks off.”	
55	“I might not always be right but I’m always confidently wrong.”	
56	“Is it dinner time yet?”	
57	“The only thing better than a dead enemy is a goblet made from their skull.”	
58	“Well, that could have gone better.”	
59	“For the honour of Fallcrest!”	
60	“When I listen to you, I die a little on the inside.”	
61	“If there is one thing I’ve learned in my life...” (Followed by trailed off silence – every time!)	
62	“I will be your musak.”	
63	“I’ve known goblins smarter than you.”	
64	“I just love it when a plan falls apart.”	
65	“Coffee you can see through isn’t coffee.”	
66	“Why don’t you take a long walk off a short bridge.”	

67	“You are asking for a knuckle sandwich.”	
68	“It’s all good man.”	
69	“You’ve got to think 4th century.”	
70	“Can you hear them? The voices, I think they are singing.”	
71	“You remind me of someone I killed last week – they were super annoying too.”	
72	“By Thor’s fat belly.”	
73	“You should be ashamed of yourself, but as you’re not, fancy a drink?”	
74	“If you can’t beat em, get a bigger stick.”	
75	“Never bring a dog to a dragon fight.”	
76	Stinks like a minotaur’s armpit.	
77	“I’m not going to defy the Gods. I will leave that up to the other idiots in the room.”	
78	“But does it smell real?”	
79	“Gold is good but I’d prefer a hug.”	
80	“When you need a rowboat, a canoe just won’t do.”	
81	“A dragon in the hand means you have big hands.”	
82	“An apple a day keeps the fruit growers in business.”	
83	“I’m not going to kill you, I’m going to hold you down and tattoo ‘stupid’ on your forehead.”	
84	“Gazing into your eyes is like staring into a bottomless void.”	

85	“I don’t hate everyone, I’m just okay if most people die.”	
86	“Sugar me cubes!”	
87	“You stealth like a drunk bagpiper.”	
88	“I’d row that to the north pole and back.”	
89	“My aunt is scary than that.”	
90	“The Gods know I’m trying.”	
91	“I think you lost brain cells every time you worked out. Work out a lot don’t you.”	
92	“Yes, I have morals, but you have gold, so let’s talk.”	
93	“This is my Sunday best armour.”	
94	“Your continued existence vexes me.”	
95	“I do have standards. I just don’t have any morals.”	
96	“They’d be difficult to love.”	
97	“You haven’t experienced true disasters until you wake up in a pentagram with a succubus under each arm.”	
98	“Let the challenge commence.”	
99	“Don’t skin the alligator whilst it’s ticking.”	
100	“Smoke me a piranha, I’ll be back for breakfast.”	

## BONUS CONTENT

Taken from the pages of [50 Quick Human NPCs Vol 1](#)

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# 50 QUICK HUMAN NPCs VOLUME ONE



here are a sample of the NPC's you will find inside.

## QUICK HUMAN NPCs

#	Name and Occupation	Age
2	Bernie Osmo, Squire	Teen

**Physical Description** Strong for his age with piercing blue eyes and wild straw blond hair.

Character	Further Details
Is actively searching for his master's armour and sword and makes enquires of all the adventurers he sees in case they have come across it.	The death of his master has hit him hard and he has a burning hatred for orcs of all kinds. His one ambition is to train to be a knight and spend his life eradicating orcs.

**Items or clothing** Has his old knights saddle.

Unfortunately, the orcs that slew his master also took his sword and armour. His horse died from its wounds and now only the saddle remains.

**Occupation Details** Squire – his master just died in a battle with orcs.

#	Name and Occupation	Age
20	Heike McKelvie, Hunter	Middle Aged

**Physical Description** Skinny, cropped blonde with sharp features and a hooked nose.

Character	Further Details
Open minded and always willing to listen. Laughs a lot and very optimistic. Sometimes annoyingly so.	Enjoys meeting people from new cultures and places. A bisexual transgender woman she has just ended a four-year relationship with Hannah (Female NPC #21).

**Items or clothing** Loves archery and is very good at it. Has a collection of bows but dreams of one day commissioning a bow from Ewan (Male NPC #20) who she also has a crush on.

**Occupation Details** Hunter – hunts birds of all kinds with her bow. Used to hunt deer as well but finds that physically a bit of challenge these days.

#	Name and Occupation	Age
22	Lovisa Toma, Retired Bodyguard	Old

**Physical Description** Wild blonde hair sprays out from a round face.

Character	Further Details
Very jovial and laughs a lot especially after a drink or two.	Is an alcoholic although hides it well.

**Items or clothing** Wears a ring in the shape of a serpent. The ring tightens on her finger when someone, within twenty feet of her, has violent or evil intentions in the forefront of their mind.

**Occupation Details** Retired Bodyguard – famously she worked for Beritz, chief mage in a neighbouring city, for many years before punching him out, in the middle of a public ceremony, when he made an inappropriate pass at her. She has many other stories from her years of protecting the powerful and privileged.



**“Ha! Yes, it’s true. I cold-cocked that grabby toad right in the middle of the ceremony. He hit the floor like a sack of potatoes right at the feet of the visiting prince!”**

### Lovisa Toma

Female NPC #22





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